REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of entry in Register:	10 July 1997
Name of applicant/court:	The Film and Video Labelling Body Inc.
Applicant to the Labelling Body:	Video Wholesalers Ltd
Title of Publication:	Hotel Sodom
Other Known Titles:	Not Stated
Director:	David Christopher
Producer:	Will Divide
Publisher:	Not Applicable
Author:	Not Applicable
Format:	Video Recording VHS/PAL
Country of Origin:	USA
Language:	English

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Components of film originally examined:

Feature:	Hotel Sodom	Running time:	73.31
Trailers:	Safe Sex Notice	Running time:	0.42
	Copyright Warning Notice		0.08
	Snatch Productions Notice		0.29
	Buttman's Bend Over Babes 4		3.49
	Ben Dover 'Pure Cheek!' Fresh Cheeks		2.11
	Vice		2.23
	Last Act		2.40
	Vivid Raw 2		2.04
	American Tushy		2.54
	Fresh Meat # 3		2.13
		Total Running time:	93.04

Excision/Alteration: Yes.

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Reason(s) for Excision:

Two excisions are required to remove instances of degrading, dehumanising and demeaning sexual conduct, depicted in ways which exacerbate these effects. One excision removes a depiction, in full-screen close-up focus, of a woman with a large quantity of ejaculate on her face and in her eyes. The second removes a trailer which shows women being 'picked up' in the street and subjected to degrading and dehumanising sexual behaviour, depicted in a series of graphic close-focus images.

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Approved components of film after excision:

Feature:	Hotel Sodom	Running time:	73.30
Trailers:	Safe Sex Notice	Running time:	0.42
	Copyright Warning Notice		0.08
	Snatch Productions Notice		0.30
	Ben Dover's 'Pure Cheek!' Fresh Cheeks		2.10
	Vice		2.23
	Last Act		2.40
	Vivid Raw 2		2.04
	American Tushy		3.02
	Fresh Meat #3		2.13
		Total Amended Running time:	89.22

Classification Decision:

Objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 18 years.

Display conditions:

Section 27

on film

Either

The film must be publicly displayed only in premises, or a part of premises, set aside for the public display of restricted publications (whether or not articles other than restricted publications are also displayed in those premises or that part of those premises).

Or

The film must not be publicly displayed in any place in which the film is available for supply, and must be shown in that place only to persons who make a direct request for the film.

on poster

Either

Any film poster relating to the film (whether or not the poster is attached to the cassette, case, or other container in which the film is kept), must be publicly displayed only in premises, or a part of premises, set aside for the public display of restricted publications (whether or not articles other than restricted publications are also displayed in those premises or that part of those premises).

Or

Any film poster relating to the film (whether or not the poster is attached to the cassette, case, or other container in which the film is kept), must not be publicly displayed in any place in which the film is available for supply, and must be shown in that place only to persons who make a direct request for the poster.

Descriptive Note:

Contains explicit sex scenes.

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Direction to issue a label has been given on 04 July 1997

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SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

Not Applicable.

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